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A Day of Summer Beauty. Out in the golden summer air, Amid the purple heather,

A woman sat with drooping head, And hands close knit together; Never a bitter word she said, Phough all her limbs looked cold and dead-Cold in the glowing haze that lay Over the fair green earth that day, That day of summer beauty.

Far, far away, where leafy woods Touched the blue sky, cloud riven, A thousand birds rang out life's bliss In jubilee to heaven: How could the poor, old, withered throat Carol echoes to each soft note? Every soul must pay life's cost— Her deepest silence praised God most,

That day of summer beauty.

Too duiled her soul, too worn, to feel Summer delight scutely; While earth was praising God aloud, Her patience praised him mutely. Her narrow life of thought and care, Not life to live, but life to bear ; Contented that her soul was sad, While all God's soulless things were glad,

That day of summer beauty. And where she staved, a du-ty speak In gorse and heather glory, A weary spirit watched and read The pathos of her story; A spirit, doubt oppressed and worn, Had found another more forlorn, That, trustful, stayed, nor sought to guess Life's meanings, which are fathomless, Through all the summer beauty.

The General's Address. A Story of the Dark Days of the Revolutionary War.

The sufferings of the American army during the Revolutionary war were severe. The American Congress was accused of not treating the army fairly, and at one time there was great danger that the troops would leave the field. Washington appealed to Congress at his request. In writing to the secretary of war on the subject he said: "Only conceive the mortification the troops must suffer (even the general officers), when they cannot invite a French offithat) and a bit of beef without vegetables | raised will afford them."

Congress, though it professed a dethown their grievances to Congress rened and reported their ill success. This report fell like fire on the suffering army, and it was evident that some decisive action would be developed before long. At length, on the tenth of March, it took form in an anonymous address that was distributed through the army, calling on the officers through the army, calling on the officers their devotion came rushing back on his to meet next day to decide on the meas memory; their toils and suffering rose

redress of their grievances. This address, it was ascertained years ofter, was written by Major Armstrong, aid-de-camp to General Gates. Its tion and sympathy.

Language was well calculated to set on Unrolling his manuscript, he took prepared for an explosion. The address commenced with the statement of the disappointment felt at the report of the indifference of youd which neither can be stretched without sinking into cowardice or plunging into credulity." He then takes a rapid survey of the past, reciting their devotion, their sufferings,

scornful questions asks them how their faith and patience have been re-warded. After arousing their indignation by this recital of their wrong-, and the contemptuous treatment with which their humble petitions had been received, he burst forth : "If this, then, be your treatment while the swords you wear are necessary for the defense of from peace, when your voice shall sink and your strength dissipate by division, when those very swords, the instruments and companions of your glory, shall be taken from your sides and no mark of military distinction left you but your wants, infirmities and scars? Can you then consent to be the only sufferers by this revolution. and retiring from the field, grow old in poverty, wretchedness and contempt? vile mire of despondency, and owe the miserable remnant of that life to charity which has hitherto been spent in honor & If you can, go; and carry with you the jests of Tories and the scorn of Whigs, the ridicule, and what is worse, the pity of the world; go, starve, and be forgotten !" But he adds: "If you revolt at this, and would

threats then will be empty as are your entreaties now." Having thus artfully kindled the passions of the army, he boldly sketched out the only course to future; that if redress is not given, dead, and a deep murmur of delight ran

turn, and 'mock when their fear Knox immediately arose, and moved This aduress, so well adapted to stir ed to the commander-in-chief for his adup the passion and bring about sudden dress, and "to assure him that the offiand violent action, had been scattered through the army without the knowledge of Washington. When at last it was carried with a unanimous and loud so long dreaded, nay, had foretold, had the report in half an hour. In half an hour from house to house like this, night afthe report was ready. The resolutions ter night, requires a constitution of cast so long dreaded, nay, had forefold, had the report was ready. The resolutions ter night, requires a constitution of cast at last come. The labor of seven long were short and spicy and to the point.

the next day, on purpose that no time should be given for passion to subside and cooler counsels prevail. Washington was too sagacious to attempt to prevent the meeting, as he had anthority to do. Force he knew would only intensify the feeling that prevailed. Things had plainly come to a crisis, and to meet it successfully required great prudence. Hence he must have time to mature his plans, and so post-poned the meeting till Saturday, four days in advance. To this no in the movement saw that it boded evil for them. In the meantime he sent for his generals to meet him, to consult a cold, chilly day on which they assemgenerals one after another rode up-Wayne, and Putnam, and Sullivan entered one after another; Steuben from over the river; while the veterans Knox and Green rode up together from the south. Others arrived from near the camp ground, until as noble a group as ever gathered around a chieftain stood around Washington. Could this old room speak and tell what passed at that sad and solemn council, it would tell of noble devotion and patriotism such as the world has seldom witnessed. It was finally resolved that Washington should attend the meeting and open it in person. It was arranged that immediately after his address 'Old

Put" should move that a committee be appointed to draft resolutions expressing the feelings of the meeting. The fifteenth of March was a cold, bleak day, and the leaden clouds gave a somber hue to the wintry landscape. Snow was still on the mountain tops, and here and there lay in drifts in the hollows, as Washington and his staff bethis juncture, but no heed was paid to gan to climb the hills back of Newburgh toward the temple near the camp ground. Washington dismounted at the

the orderly, entered the building. was packed throughout its entire length with an anxious andience. cer or traveling acquaintance to a better Every eye was turned as that tall and dinner than bad whisky (and not always stately form moved calmly toward the raised platform at the further end. Not a sound but his heavy footfall on the uncarpeted floor broke the profound, impressive silence of the room. As he sire that the army should receive justice, reached the platform and stood for a declared its inability to do anything moment and gared on the assembly; his until the separate States were consult- noble heart was stirred to its profound ittee appointed to make est depths. He knew every face, and, what a tide of feeling must have swept over his heart. They were his comrades in battle. How often had they closed round him in the deadly encounter, and shoulder to shoulder carried him trium-phantly over the fields of his fame. Noble men were they all, on whom he had relied, and not in vain, in the hour ares that should be adopted to obtain a before him, and the whole history of the past swept by like a moving panorama till his heart swelled over them with parental fondness. He had no word of rebuke for them-only words of affec-

fire the army that was already out his spectacles, and said, in a voice choked with emotion : "You see, gentlemen, I have grown blind as well as gray in your service," One could have heard a pin fall, so breathless was the audiat the report of the indifference of ence; while many an eye, that had never the government to their rights, saying that faith has its limits as well tle, grew dim with tears. Every line of this immortal address reveals the stern patriot and the devote I chieftain. After referring to the anonymous address, and denouncing the author and his dark designs in unsparing language, dented way, he with changed voice and and their wrongs, and in a series of manner spoke of the army, its sufferto his own conduct, saying: conduct heretofore has not evinced you that I have been a faithful friend to the army, my declaration to you at this time would be equally unavailing and improper": * * * that he had and improper"; * * * that he had never left the side of the army except been their companion in distress and danger, and adds: "As I have considof America, what have you to expect ered my own military reputation as inseparably connected with that of the army, as my heart has ever expanded

against it, it can hardly be supposed at this last stage of the war that I am in-different to its interests. Lut he asks: How are these interests to be preserved? Not, he plainly shows, by following the treasonable advice contained in the address. He then pledges most solemnly poverty, wretchedness and contempt? his nimost ability to see all their wrongs Can you consent to wade through the redressed, all their rights established. He conjures them to rely on the plighted faith of their country, and taking fire as he proceeds, he exclaims: our common country, as you value your own sacred honor, as you respect the rights of humanity, as you regard the ca, to express your utmost horror and adds: "If you revolt at this, and would der any specious pretenses, to overturn oppose tyranny under whatever garb it the liberties of our country, and who may assume, awake, attend to your wickedly attempts to open the floodsituation, and redeem yourselves. If gates of civil discord and deluge our the present moment be lost, every rising empire in blood." He closes up maritime code of signals, two or three

and my indignation has arisen when the

pursue. "Draw up," he says, "a last world would never have seen the last pursue. "Draw up, ne say, remonstrance, and tell Congress with ture is capaple of attaining.".

It was enough. The conspiracy was and peace returns, nothing but death through the audience. Removing his shall separate you from your arms; if spectacles, he descen ed the platform the war continues, you will retire to and moved out through the assembly, each eye following the stately form as it some unsettled country to smile in disappeared through the doorway. cers reciprocated his affectionate expressions with the greatest sincerity of which the human heart is capable." It

A HUNTERS' CAMP.

Novelty on the Centennial Grounds-Western Life as it is in Civilization. The "Hunters' Camp" on the Centennial grounds is visited by hundreds daily. It is in a ravine and on a creek that runs through the park. A long side against a tree, with an inscription carved on its inner side with a jackknife,

cabin. They are attired in full Western hunter's costume, which is quite as outlandish as Robinson Crusoe's-coonskin cap, buckskin tunic, with fringe like a leathern fivnet for a horse, breeches of the same stuff and similarly fringed, and moccasins. With sharp sticks for forks, and with Arkansas toothpicks (fourteeninch butcher knives), they are helping themselves from wooden platters to Rocky mountain venison obtained from West Philadelphia steers, and to cracked Arrapahoe maize produced by Bucks county savages. Three times a week they have hash, and on Sundays they add the luxury of bread made of maize meal, which they grind between flat

door, and giving his horse stones. Their speech does not lack the peculiar charm of Western classics. While one "'ll be teetotally chawed up for a sucked egg " if he ain't near a "gone coon" for a "chawt-a-backer," the other hopes he "may be toasted on forked lightning if he ain't spun out back. Underneath the bark is a costing of palm and cedar branches to in-

cabin. Within are two camp longges—the only beds. These are exactly like hospital stretchers, but having two legs at one end so as to elevate the head of the sleeper. Among the other articles displayed inside are the skin of a white at (declared to be the only white polecat known to have been ever seen in the United States), the stuffed head of a leopard, skins of black and grizzly bears, elk antigrs, horns of Rocky mountain rams, bows, arrows, moccasins, wampum, strings of grizzly bears claws and other curiosities captured from the Indians; rifles of auld lang syne, fish spears and fishing and trapping implements of every description, a table made of nicer bark than that in the table outside, and two objects of the shape and size of an enormous codfish, and made of plaited willow. These are snowslices. The feet are slipped under straps in the center, and the wearer jogs along his bidding in the most minute particufearless of sinking in the snowand hope less of making a hop, step and jump words, speaking only when it is absover a fence. "An' do the redskins lutely necessary. They would not know-

the stream being thereby made broad has acquired a large fortune, will not take more than four per cent for the amuse themselves rowing about in the use of his money, because, as he says, it there. To cut the story short, this bunters' cabin, with its contents and surroundings, afford a complete illustration of the life of a Western hunter. It is not sake even a bond, note, or is improbable though that many of collateral, nor do they ask for or receive there. To cut the story short, those daring and enduring pioneers are fortunate enough to find for their head-

Carrier Pigeons and Shipwrecks.

An interesting lecture on the utilization of the homing or carrier pigeon was given at the zoological gardens, Regent's park, London, recently, by Mr. Tegetmeier. After describing the origin of the pigeon voyageurs, the methods of training for the long concours, or races, the powers of flight, extending to upward of five hundred miles a day, the lecturer described the details of the pigeon post used during the siege of Paris, and stated that at the present time every fortress and fortified town in Germany was provided with flights of trained pigeons by which communica-tions could be sent into the town, if invested by a hostile force.

He then proceeded to describe the latest application of the homing faculty of these birds-namely, the establishment of communications from lightships to the shore, so that by the use of the his stirring appeal by saying: "If you letters stamped on the wing would convide a means of communication when no other method was available. The experiment is being tried, in the first instance, at Harwich, and as soon as a sufficient stock of birds has been reared, it is proposed to keep relays on board the adjacent lightships, so that in case of a second wreck like that of the Deutschland, requests for assistance could be immediately conveyed to the authorities at Harwich.

> London Beauties. It is no slight work which the beau-

ties of London have to perform, a corwaiting for half an hour unable to get can play anything he has ever heard. either up or down: "We have to go to He now plays about 7,000 pieces, and

THE MENNONITES.

A Description of a Peculiar Sect in Pennsyl-

to approach the cabin. It succeeds, hundred years ago, and has been wern also, in keeping the hunters warm these frigid July days, and proves the mortal foe of Centennial mosquitoes. The two chaps sitting at the table must be inspected before a look is taken at the

rough kip shoes.
The women are, as a general thing, small as compared with the stature o their husbands. Young and old dress alike, so that nnless a close inspection is made a man twenty years of age can hardly be told from one fifty years old. They stand quite erect, and, like the Chinamen, resemble each other very plump and sluggish, and the young ladies may be ever so handsome, yet they always look plain in their domestic garb, and their black eyes and rosy ks are hid away under the flaps of their uncommonly large sun bonnets. They are quiet, and rarely smile. The old folks are more loquacious than the church with her father and mother. She will sit between them, and look neither to the right nor to the left. At the close of the services all of them may stop in leaving the building to recognize and speak to friends for a short time, but of the hard work.

ture was neat and plain. The boards were sornbbed fresh and clean; the winnows up stairs were open; the win-puffed up with bouncing feather belsters, looked sweet and clean; extra apparel hung on pegs in a corner, and a chest served for a wardrobe for the other clothing. The walls were white as the driven snow, and the pleasant air of the shady grove without bulged in the common paper curtains. Their diet is principally eggs and vegetables. They eat very little meat.

About fifty gards from their dwellings are their immense barns, large enough to hold a dozen of the houses they live in. These barns contain the remains of the crop of last year. The stables are filled with horses and cows, and in the outbuildings are the plain family carriage, wagons, plows, and other implements. These men are hard working farmers, snn-browned and honest caring nothing at all about politics, and living only to till the soil, deal honestly with their neighbors, and save money. The husband is the sole manager of his have feet as big as them? was the in-nocent inquiry of a spectator. Below the cabin a dam has been constructed. embraces the doctrine of the golden rule. One of their leading men, who

first mortgage or a government bond. They never go to law, and crime is un-

known smoote them. 1144 Curious Facts About Blind Tom. Hind Tom's birthplace is Georgia, and he begun to excite attention as a musician at the age of four years. All sounds afford him delight; even the crying of a child causes him to dance about in a state of ecstasy. When at home he often bit and piuched his brothers and sisters to make them emit cries of pain. If kept away from a piano, he will beat against the wall, drag chairs about the room, and make all sorts of noises. When in London a flute was procured for him of a very complicated pattern, and having twenty two keys. He frequently rises up at night and plays this instrument, imitating upon it all sorts of sounds which he may hear at the time. Once when the agent attempted to make him stop playing a piano in a high-toned hotel at three o'clock in the morning, Tom seized him and threw him through will do this, you will by the dignity of vey the intelligence that assistance of your conduct afford posterity occasion any kind was desired, and would proroom. When at home in Georgia he lives in a building about two hundred yards from the house, and there remains alone with his piano, playing all

Jay and night, like one possessed with madness. Bad weather has an effect upon his music. In cloudy, rainy seasons, he plays somber music in minor chords; and when the sun shines and the birds sing, he indulges in waltzes and light music. Sometimes he will hammer away for hours, producing the most horrible discords imaginable. Suddenly a water with a little sugar. change comes over him, and he indulges in magnificent bursts of harmony taken from the best productions of the masters. Since his childhood he has been

having a great dislike for it.

A Roying Life.

Young Jessup, of Philadelphia, who was killed in a duel in Colorado, pos-A correspondent writing from Lan- sessed a roving disposition. He served caster, Pa., draws this picture of the in the army when fourteen years of age. Mennonites, a noted sect there: A rep- and in 1866, then only twenty, he, with resentative Mennonite is an object of a single companion, started on an over- nine o'clock, but she would leave the piece of oak bark, pegged with its outer curiosity. Travelers going through this land trip around the world. The journey key under the mat at the front door so valley are puzzled to know what to make across the plains at that time was par- that he could let himself in when he of them. Mennonite men are nearly alture which he sees is "The Hunters' are tall, straight, and angular. They ment of the whites. The frontier posts would accompany her. Cabin." It is reached by crossing a wear their straight, black hair rather were insufficiently guarded, and, as a vale that the bloodthirsty redskins dread by their fathers in this valley over two proceeded thence to Salt Lake City. ed into the misty gloaming, he remem-California they explored the wonders of known region, and after remaining here some time they sailed for the Sandwich islands and thence to China, Cochin China, Malacca, Ceylon and India to the Himalayas, returning half way back to Allahabad. Upon making the great

journey across central India by "coolie dak"—a two-wheeled cart drawn by sixteen natives—they arrived in Bombay. Proceeding thence by steamer to Aden, and up the Red sea to Suez and through lower Egypt to Alexandria, their further journey was interrupted by a cable telegram to young Jessup announcing his mother's dangerous sickness and sum-moning him home by the quickestroute. In all his dangerous and adventurous young. A fair daughter will go to church with her father and mother. She will sit between them, and look neither panion bears witness to his chivalric disposition, his desire to protect the weak from imposition and his disposition voluntarily to assume more than his share

Petersburg to Rome. Supplied with abundant means he lived a most luxuripleasures of continental life. His sense of manliness and his keen enjoyment of innate refinement of character that was occasionally strongly marked kept him with his eyes shut. It wakened his son, hard for years, and given himself endfrom many of those excesses into which other young men have fallen. While living in this way he insisted on having all the appointments of his daily life as there was no middle course. Unless he could dine en regle in the city he pre-

Some six years ago he went into business in Philadelphia, but the roaming habit had grown too strong for him to be long contented with the daily routine of office work. In 1873 he gave up his position and bought a stock farm in New Mexico, which he afterward transferred to Colorado. This sort of life seemed to suit him exactly, and on a visit to his home last winter he expressed himself well satisfied with his new household, the wife and children doing occupation and his desire to make his home permanently in the West.

How to Treat Sunstroke.

When much fatigued do not go to work,

after eleven o'clock in the morning on

very hot days, especially if the work is in the sun. If a feeling of fatigue, diz-

cease work immediately, lie down in a

shady and cool place, apply cold cloths to and pour cold water over head and

neck. If any one is overcome by the

water or cold black tea or cold coffee, if

head pounded ice wrapped in a towel or other cloth. If there is no ice at hand

keep a cloth on the head, and pour cold

water on it as well as on the body.

If the person is pale, very faint, and pulse feeble, let him inhale ammonia for

a few seconds, or give him a teaspoon-

ful of aromatic spirits of ammonia

(hartshorn) in two tablespoonfuls of

He Can Vote.

Dishanding the Army. Sunstroke is caused by excessive heat, and especially if the weather is "muggy." It is more apt to occur on the sec- was by no means an agreeable one for ond, third, or fourth day of a heated the officers and men who had been so spectacles for idle comment and vulgar term than on the first. Loss of sleep, long engaged in military duty. Major worry, excitement, close sleeping rooms, North says: "The inmates of the same the noblest lives, care not for, indeed, dispose. It is much more apt to at-each other's hand in silent agony—to go they are opposed to—gaudy obsequies. They prefer, when they have acted their debility, and abuse of stimulants pre- tent or but for seven long years grasped tack those working in the sun, and estack the sun, and estack those working in the sun, and estack the sun, and estack those working in the sun, and estack the sun, an pecially between the hours of eleven of the art to thrive by civil occupation any interest. They sell nothing on o'clock in the morning and four o'clock lost, or to the youthful never known, credit. They keep no accounts. Their in the afternoon. On hot days wear their hard earned military knowledge verbal promise to pay is as good as a thin clothing. Have as cool sleeping worse than useless—to be cast on a rooms as possible. Avoid loss of sleep world long since by them forgotten. and all unnecessary fatigue. If working Severed from friends, and all the joys in doors and where there is artificial heat, see that the room is well ventilated. If working in the sun wear a light hat numbers, almost joys. To go in silence (not black, as it absorbs heat) and put and alone, and poor and helpless -- it was inside of it on the head a wet cloth or a too hard! Oh, on that sad day how large green leaf; frequently lift the hat many hearts were wrung. I saw it all, from the head and see that the cloth is nor will the scene be ever blurred from wet. Do not check perspiration, but my view." drink what water you need to keep it up, as perspiration prevents the body Baron Steuben looked on the pitiful from being overheated. Have wherever possible an additional shade, as a thin umbrella, when walking, a canvas or

The brave, generous hearted old scenes with swimming eyes. Seeing Colonel Cochrane, a brave and meritori ous officer, standing apart with a sad and disconsolate look, he approached broad cover when working in the sun. him, and tried to cheer him up by sayor be excused from work, especially ing that better times would come soon. "For myself," replied the officer, "I money to remove them." "Come, come," said the baron, "I will pay my heat give the person cool drinks of daughters, if you please;" and leaving him standing alone, he strode away to able to swallow. If the skin is hot and the tavern, where he found the ladies dry, sponge with or pour cold water over sunk in despondency at the dismal prosbody and limbs, and apply to the pect before them. The sight was too much for his benevolent heart, and emptying the entire contents of his purse on the table, he hastened away to escape their tears and blessings. As he went down to the wharf where the troops were embarking, he came upon a poor soldier, whose wounds were yet un-healed, bitterly lamenting that he had not the means to get to New York. Touched with his sufferings, the baron's hand instinctively sought his pocket, but, alas! the last cent had just been left in the miserable garret. Turning to A gentleman in New Orleans writes to an officer, he borrowed a dollar and gave respondent writes. As I heard one say to another the other night, on a crowded staircase, where people had been now his repertoire is much larger, as he witing to held the same of the sa

He now plays about 7,000 pieces, and is not a citizen of the United States; Almighty bless you, baron." a cloud dark as midnight settled on his countenance—the day of evil, which he be appeinted to draft resolutions and be appeinted to draft resolutions and be appeinted to draft resolutions and the last gun out that he will not play any be appeinted to draft resolutions and the last gun out the day of evil, which he be appeinted to draft resolutions and the last gun out the day of evil, which he be appeared to draft resolutions and the last gun out the day of evil, which he be appeared to draft resolutions and the last gun out the day of evil, which he be appeared to draft resolutions and the last gun out the day of evil, which he be appeared to draft resolutions and the last gun out the day of evil, which he be appeared to draft resolutions and the last gun out the day of evil, which he be appeared to draft resolutions and the last gun out the day of evil, which he be appeared to draft resolutions and the last gun out the day of evil, which he be appeared to draft resolutions and the last gun out the day of evil, which he be appeared to draft resolutions and the last gun out the day of evil, which he be appeared to draft resolutions and the last gun out the day of evil, which he be appeared to draft resolutions and the last gun out the day of evil, which he be appeared to draft resolutions and the last gun out the day of evil, which he be appeared to draft resolutions and the last gun out the day of evil, which he last gun out the day of evil, which he last gun out the day of evil, which he last gun out the day of evil, which he last gun out the day of evil, which he last gun out the day of evil, which he last gun out the day of evil, which he last gun out the day of evil, which he last gun out the day of evil, which he last gun out the day of evil, which he last gun out the day of evil, which he last gun out the day of evil, which he last gun out the day of evil, which he last gun out the day of evil, which he last gun out the day of evil, which he last gun out the day of evil, which he last gun out the day of whether he is eligible to the office of President. We answer that, by the very They were carried by acclamation, and feet and pened at his very feet, and he gazed with sinking least into the gloomy abyras. The werest of into the gloomy abyras. The werest of into the gloomy abyras. The werest of with the first feet was not an assertion or state ment in this flery address that he could be done only by a sometar appeal alone to reduce themselves he could not meet, and this could be done only by a sometar appeal alone to reduce the service of their particular and the good of the wind the masser of the contrastition. They were carried by acclamation, and feet that was the last ever heard of the and they signs his lifety in Charles, writes into the gloomy abyras. The werest of the same of the sign in the feet of the propose of the wind the propose of the which prevents it from exhign the reduction of the wind propose and adds some the commendation. They were carried by acclamation, and seem to have it. The first occord that was the last ever heard of the and they was the last ever heard of the and they signs his little of the same of the which prevents it from exhign there it is more a difference. Every man of the wind propose and adds some the propose

Mr. Posonby's Adventure.

Mr. Posonby, while busy in his office, was surprised by the entrance of Mrs. Posonby, who came in to say that she was going to take tea with Mrs. Bilderback and would not be home until

ways above the medium height. They suspicious and resentful of the encroach- supper down town. Their son, Herbert, Now, it so chanced that while Mrs. bridge of two logs, and if the visitor long, until it nearly reaches then shoul-has a cane he will probably tap on the ders. Their coats are cut straight up bolder in their raids. The two young her husband her hopeful son was makback with it to satisfy himself that and down. The material is of gray men left Leavenworth, Kan., with a caning desperate efforts, assisted by all the they are not flesh and blood the tin wool, and is home-made. There are no vas covered wagon and four light mules. dogs he could whistle up from the entire on the proper course of action. It was ducks and drakes loating at anchor in buttons on their clothing, hooks and For about a month they traveled entirely neighborhood, to get at a rat he had the stream. Safe over, he is confronted eyes being used instead. The vest is alone, but on the borders of Nebraska seen run under the front porch. Master little circular wall of sooty stones, with panteloons, looking more like a pair of party numbered thirty-four in all, and vals around the porch and along the vermade of a huge strip of bark supported Mennonite costume consists of a black tary post. Arriving at Denver, then bors now and then to fight over the Proceeding westward toward Sacramen- bered that he had been told to lock up to they made frequent detours, visiting and join his ma at her friends'. He put whatever was of interest by the way, the key under the door mat, and then now journeying alone and again joining with his head still set on capturing that the wagon trains they overtook. In rat, he brought around an old steel trap, wicked as dynamite, and having baited the Yosemite, then a comparatively un- it liberally, set it on the porch for the benefit of the rat when it should come out. Then he carefully dismissed his allies, and stoned them in different directions lest they should go back to resume the siege and fall into his torpedo

til quite late, not until his wife and son had returned and retired, tired of waiting for him. As the house was quite rk and quiet when he approached it, he naturally supposed his spouse had been detained later than she expected. He felt under the door mat for the key, but as that useful little "open sesame" was in the lock on the inside of the door, couldn't find it. He felt further under the mat, and then thinking he might have pushed it away, began to feel around the porch for it, sweeping his hand out in circling swoops, accompanying these erratio movements with snnlid lips silenced all the dogs in the ward, modestly and properly managed, there who thrust his head out of the window less anxiety to save something for his and shouted "fire!" in the most stentocan command. It roused his wife from sheeted sleep, that there should Mr. Posonby, who stood on the porch, dancing about in an ecstasy of agony, howling at every jump. In a moment he became calm enough to investigate; their means in such post-mortem parade he removed the trap, explained and was are generally influenced by good though admitted to the house. He explained mistaken motives. They do not knowwas "snakes," and when that good-lady ridiculed the idea, and said there were no snakes about here, he shook his head wearily, and looked at her out of the corner of his eyes with a sweet, sad smile.

The position of the American army at the close of the Revolutionary war and griefs which soldiers feel; griefs while hope remained-when shared by

Brazilian Silkworms. can stand it; but," pointing to a mere hovel, "my wife and daughters are in the garret of that wretched tavern, and I have nowhere to carry them, nor even tablet, and cared for by an attendant. 'Come, In a series of glass bottles, and prewhat brownish cast of color.

Children must be taught proper man- weight of lump coal. The burning is went off at right angles, and landed in a ware of a surprise. He went off with

FUNERALS COST TOO MUCH.

Ve Spend More Money than we can Afford It is very strange, the material im-

portance we now attach to a funeral. We insist that it shall be conducted with a certain show, at a certain cost; we refuse to be content with an observation perfluities are demanded; we do not be- and crushed in a horrible manner. Miss lieve we have discharged our duty to Shank at first was petrified with horror, the dead, unless we have honored him or and then, with a piercing scream, alarmher with at least an approach to pa-geantry. We fancy that kinship or friend-came rushing out just in time to see the ship should be expressed in a prodigal old man fall back a corpse. At first it outlay; that bereavement must be reck- was thought that Mr. Shank had been oned by disregard of dollars and cents. plundered and then murdered, but the Except on the score of taste, there may discovery of the bloody ax with which bled, and the old open fireplace was heaped with blazing logs before which Washington was slowly pacing when the generals one after another rode up— little sizeales and dining half—a stocks. Vests, and wide, long, straight generals one after another rode up— little sizeales and dining half—a stocks. Vests, and wide, long, straight generals one after another rode up— little sizeales and dining half—a stocks. Vests, and wide, long, straight generals one after another rode up— little sizeales and dining half—a stocks. Vests, and wide, long, straight generals one after another rode up— little sizeales and dining half—a stocks. Vests, and wide, long, straight generals one after another rode up— little sizeales and dining half—a stocks. Vests, and wide, long, straight generals one after another rode up— little sizeales and dining half—a stocks. Vests, and wide, long, straight generals one after another rode up— little sizeales and dining half—a stocks. Vests, and wide, long straight generals one after another rode up— little sizeales and dining half—a stocks. Vests, and wide, long straight generals one after another rode up— little sizeales and dining half—a stocks. Vests, and wide, long straight generals one after another rode up— little sizeales and dining half—a stocks. Vests, and wide, long straight generals one after another rode up— little sizeales and dining half—a stocks. Vests, and wide, long straight generals one after another rode up— little sizeales and dining half—a stocks are rounded and dining a black iron pot hanging above it, and sharp pointed roasting or toasting sticks leaning over its sides, and a table leaning over its sides, and a table There is no style about them. The thing in his life has been; if they want chopping wood not ten minutes before made of a nuge strip of park supported on four stout twigs stuck into the ground. A camp fire of logs is constantly burning, near by, and at night it casts such a light through the wooded in which a lock of the deceased that the mountains to Bishop's pass, and its accompaniments, surely nobody should gainsay them. But when the dead was poor; when he leaves a family the guilty son. This son is now forty foolish to use the little they possess, or quarter of a century has been hopelessto incur indebtedness, in order to trick out his corpse, and to send it to the cemetery in a manner they cannot afford, and which certainly can be of no possible benefit to him. By such worse than useless extravagance they wrong his old homestead rather than in an asylum memory and themselves, and encourage custom extremely unwise in itself and lecidedly mischievous in its results. Persons who can best afford to bury heir kinsfolks or friends sumptuously, are less apt to do so than persons who cannot afford it. It is one of our na-

tional weaknesses—and a miserable weakness it is—to struggle against any and every appearance of poverty just in proportion to the degree of our pov-We seem to be unconscious that his constitutes the real meanness which we flatter ourselves that we are avoiding. We are wont to speak of it as our pride, when any true pride would blush at it, knowing it to be nothing but the most valgar vanity wearing a worthy ommon it is for families in this and

other large cities to overtax themselves penses, when, if the funeral had been

rian tones that a youth of eleven years Of what advantage is it to him, in his nearly perfect as might be. For him her peaceful slumbers, who thrust her few more flowers or carriages, that the head out of another window and screamed coffin should be real rosewood, or the "thieves!" with all the full piercing vig- handles genuine silver? All has ended; or of her womanly voice. It watened all is well with him. To him money is his neighbors in both directions, who no longer essential; whatever he has leaned out of their windows and shot at gained beyond necessary expenditure should be devoted to the service of the living.
Undoubtedly, they who so exceed

to Mrs. Posenby, as she bandaged his at least, they do not think—how far wounded hand, that he thought sure it such ostentation is removed from honest reverence, from veracious grief, for the oved and lost. If they could see how hollow, how pitiable, is this sacrifice of sensibility to mere display, this profanation of affection for theatric effect, they would never be guilty of it. Influenced by the spirit of imitation—by an ig-noble desire to do what others do, irrespective of ability or fitness—they turn occasions which are distressing, and which should be sacred, to tawdry

part and the dark curtain has descended between them and the world, that they shall be borne quietly to the grave, without pomp or circumstance. only the vain, the shallow, the undeserving—secretly conscious how totally unimportant their death must be, even to their own circle-who want to emphasize it with display and expenditure. It is well to shear death of the unnatural terrors with which superstition and monasticism have invested it; it is well o make it as little solemn as it may be : to view the inevitable with calmness and hilosophy; but it is not well to deprive the tragedy which we must all undergo of its pathetic simpleness and awful dignity.—New York Times.

In the Brazilian department of the Centennial there is a very interesting display made by Senor Luis de Rezende, Upon wooden tablets arranged in a rack, Senor Rezende exhibits silkworm eggs, then silkworms, one, two, three, served in spirits, are specimens of silkworms, showing each stage of silkworm existence, "from the cradle to the grave"—that is, commencing with one day old, advancing to twenty five days old, then from beginning to spin to the formation of the chrysalis, and, finally, the emerging of the butterfly—the whole having been produced at Rio de Janeiro. Another case contains a col-lection of Brazilian butterflies, one of which, the Aurota saturnia, is a silk producer. It measures about seven nches across the wings from tip to tip. and is about five inches long. Its cocoon is much larger than that of the ordinary silkworm, and produces about five times as much silk, the latter being of a some-

the dust, in its loose condition, is stone happened to be a choice specimen engines or locomotives. The heat ob- had been misplaced. Of course the ware of a surprise!' You know how tained is equal to that from an equal lady did not hit the cow, and the missile the Indians fight us. I repeat it, Beeffected by forcing a current of air and neighbor's yard. A few days afterward that, my last warning, thrown into his

Brained by a Lunatic. Mr. John Shank, a wealthy farmer, seventy-six years of age, living on Salt Fork creek, about six miles north from Lawrenceburg, Indiana, was discovered by his daughter, Eliza Shank, lying up against an old smokehouse, gasping in the agonies of death, with the blood onzing from his mouth and nose, and with the entire back of his skall mashed

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because of his harmlessness. He is of a powerful frame, being over six feet high and weighing upward of 250 pounds, constituting, therefore, anything but a frail antagonist in a desperate fight. His father was a man equally tall, but by no means so heavy, besides

being enfeebled by his weight of nearly fourscore years. Ezra had been of late ver obstincte and lazy, and once or twice had indulged in some savage threats whenever any of the children, of whom there are ten, all grown and nearly all living at home, insisted on his doing any work. No attention, however, was paid to these threats, and Ezra was requested to take the ax and break up some wood. In compliance he took the ax, but in going to work was very sulky and would answer no questions. It is supposed that his father happened slong when he d out in circling swoops, accompanythese erratio movements with sunexclamations and mutterings. In
lar that has been left, even exceeding tion of a madman, the son raised the dry exclamations and mutterings. In lar that has been left, even exceeding tion of a madman, the son raised the one of these vigorous sweeps he thrust the amount sometimes, and in many incruel ax and dashed out his father's speak to friends for a short time, out cleaner'n a bar's tongue of everything the conversation is very limited.

And now comes the contrast. After having been at home but a little while, for small two-story, stone house, with four the cabin is salt-box shaped, entirely the conversation is very limited.

And now comes the contrast. After having been at home but a little while, bis hand into something that lifted him to his feet. A terrible, cold, vicious something that shut down on his hand the aged wife something that shut down on his hand like a wild beast and just raised him up like a wild beast and just raised him up have been utterly prospected. been borrowed to defray funeral ex- trated, only hovering between life and death. The sons at first were frenzied and sought to question their brother, when shown the lifeless body of his

The Keniucky Shower of Flesh. At last we have a proper explanation of this much talked of phenomenon. Mr. L. Brandeis writes to the Sanitarian . In 1537, while Paracelsus was engaged in the production of his "elixir of life," he came across, a very strange looking vegetable mass, to which he gave the name of "nostock." The want of rapid transportation, combined with the perishable nature of the substances fallen, have hitherto prevented a complete and exhaustive examination. The specimens of the "Kentucky shower," however, reached this city well preserved in glycerine, and it has been comparatively easy to identify the substance and to fix its status. The "Kentucky wonder" is nothing more or less than the "nostoo" of the old alchemist. The nostoc belongs to the confervæ; if consists of translucent, gelatinous bodies, joined together by threadlike tubes or seed bearers. There are about fifty species of this singular plant classifled; two or three kinds have even been found in a fossil state. Like other confervæ, the nostoc propagates by selfdivision as well as by seeds or spores. When these spores work their way out of the gelatinous envelope they may be

they may be carried great distances. Wherever they may fall, and find congenial soil, namely, dampness or recent rain, they will thrive and spread very rapidly, and many cases are reof ground, in a very few hours, with

ong strings of nostoc. On account of this rapidity of growth, people almost everywhere faithfully be-ieve the nostoc to fall from the clouds, and ascribe to it many mysterious virtues. The plant is not confined to any special locality or to any climate; sown by the whirlwind, carried by a current of air, in need of moisture only for existence and support, it thrives every-where. Icebergs afloat in mid-ocean have been found covered with it. In New Zealand it is found in large masses of quaking jelly, several feet in circum-ference, and covering miles of damp soil; and in our own country it may be found in damp woods, on meadows, and

on marshy or even gravelly bottoms. semi-liquid cellulose and vegetable proeine. The edible nostoc is highly valued in China, where it forms an essential in. One of the few occasions on which he redient of the edible birdnest soup. lost his self-control and gave way to an The flesh that was supposed to have uncontrollable outburst of anger was fallen from the clouds in Kentucky is when the news came to him that General the flesh colored nostoc. The flavor of it approaches frog or spring chicken St. Clair had fallen into an ambuscade in legs, and it is greedily devoured by alhis expedition against the Miama Innost all domesticated animals. Such supposed "showers" rare, and are entirely in harmony with

same nostoc is used as an application in ulcers and scrofulous disease, while every nation in the East considers it attended Mrs. Washington's drawing nourishing and palatable, and uses it room, speaking courteously to every even for food when dried by sun heat.

A fortnight ago a lady, with true feminine recklessness in times of ex wrath. "Yes," he exclaimed, plete success. Instead of being molded citement, threw a stone at a cow which this very spot I took leave of him; I into blocks, as by the Loiseau process, had invaded her flower garden. The wished him success and honor. You shoveled into furnaces of stationary of gold quartz which by some accident

Items of Interest. The speeches that have not been made

are the best. The desert of Sahara covers 2,000,000 square miles. We take great liberties with those from

whom we expect nothing. There is no use disputing with a man who will not be convinced. A man should be doing a good busi-ness, if it is not so profitable. The wholesale prices for cattle have eached the lowest price since 1862.

What species of love is that which is never reciprocated? A neuralgic affec-Some people cannot drive to happi-with four horses, and others can reach the goal on foot.

Never look a gift horse in the mouth, nor examine the date of an ex-In Kern county, California, a few days ago, sixteen hundred slieep were sold to a butcher for fifty ceuts a head. When the young ladies hand you a card nowadays with the cabalistic letters X. M. C. A. it means "you may

call again." Doing business without advertising says the Danbury News, is a good deal fourth of July.

Laughing may make a man grow fat, but you've got to mix it nightly with bread and meat and a quiet conscience f you get it to stick. It is proposed to amend the constitu-tion of Connecticut by adding a section making nine members of a jury compe tent to render a verdict.

A Yankee, describing an opponen whose person was extremely thin, says:
"I will tell you what, sir—that man
don't amount to a sum in arithmetic;
cast him up, and there's nothing to

A new trouble threatens the country. The scarcity of help is already being felt, especially in the West. Nearly everybody is being withdrawn from the field and shop to fill vacancies in the family of the late A. T. Stewart. Accustom yourself to overcome and

master things of difficulty; for, if you observe, the left hand for want of practice is insignificant, and not adapted to gen-eral business, yet it holds the bridle bet-ter than the right, from constant use. "In Eastern lands," when the governnent wants to get rid of a troublesome subject, he is invited to dine with the chief local official, and word is sent to his family that "his dinner did not agree with him," after which he passes into

"Oh, my dear sir!" said a poor sufferer to a dentist, "this is the second wrong tooth you've pulled out!" " Very sorry, my dear sir," said the blundering

altogether when I begun, I'm sure to be right next time." A Chicago paper says that a clergyman of that city thinks it looks decidedly suspicious for a member of his congre-

father evinced n more concern than gation to send him a mess of firh on had he been discussing the weather.

Monday morning, especially when he recollects that that member was not at church the day before An old fellow was paid his week's wages in New York, recently, receiving

the most part of it in silver ha He looked benignly at them as they lay in his palm, chuckled as though in triumph, and exclaimed: "That's the stuff the rats can't chew.' The first lord of the admiralty on his first voyage down the Thames, in rather

a leaky vessel, observed the men working the pumps. "Dear me!" he said, "I did not know you had a well on "Can you change this William for me?" said a young man who presented a \$50 bill at the counter of a bank recent-

ly. "Yes," said the cashier; "but why do you call it a William ?" not familiar enough with this kind of a thing to call it Bill," was the ready The six men hanged at Salonics for complicity in the murder of the consult

were all notorious assassins, out to execution each refused assistance, adjusted the rope round his own neck himself, and kicked the stool from under his feet. The inquiry made by the Turkish government previous to their execution was carried on in secret. The idea of a South Carolina judge in to allow any one to sell liquor freely, but

require every one who wishes it to take out a regular license, which should be wasted by the winds here and there, and granted only upon a reasonable proof they may be carried great distances. sober, and to be revoked if he gets uproariously drunk; selling or giving liquor to any person not showing such license to be a misdemeanor. A gentleman afflicted with an impedi

ment in his speech took dinner at a tavern, and calling to a waiter addressed him thus: "We-w-waiter, gi-give mme s-s-some r-r-roast b-b-be waiter stammered out in reply: "W-w-we gentleman, highly enraged, supposing the servant was mocking him, sprung from his seat and was proceeding to knock him down, when a third person arrested his arm and cried to him not to strike, saying: "He st-st-stutters s-s-same as w-w-we d-d-do."

Washington, who understood Indian

warfare the best of any man of his time, who suffers a surprise is inexcusable. St. Clair had fallen into an ambuscade in dians. The news was brought to him are not by a special messenger while he was at his seat and went through the dinner Washington had retired, leaving the President and his secretary, Mr. Sear, alone, Washington broke out

again and again in terrible expressions of have your instructions from the secretary of war,' said I. 'I had a strict eye to them and will add but one word-Be